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J. J. Kelso, Esq.,
Superintendent of Neglected and Dependent Children,
159 University Avenue, Toronto.

Dear Mr. Kelso:

I am very glad to know that your boy has passed the Junior Matriculation so successfully, and I am sure that you are doing the right thing in keeping him at the University School in order that he may try his Senior Matriculation next year and come into the University very much better prepared. I hope that he will have a very successful winter.

I am afraid, however, that it would be impossible to make arrangements whereby the senior boys of the University School would be eligible for membership in Hart House. According to the deed of gift Hart House is only for the men students of the University, and we are yet uncertain whether or not the building will be sufficiently large to accommodate all the students whom we may have to house in the next few years, so that it would be a risky experiment to make additions that we might not be able to carry in a few years.

Moreover, I am very doubtful whether boys at school should mingle with those who are already at the University. A certain psychological viewpoint comes over the boy when he enters the University, and I question very much whether it is to the

advantage of the schoolboy to get out of the atmosphere of the school by degrees in the way that this proposal would involve.

With kind regards, I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.